

THE TOWNS AROUND.

LYNDONVILLE.

Living Whist.
A thoroughly live entertainment is living whist, which was given here last Tuesday and Wednesday evenings by local talent under the supervision of Miss Harriet Harris, of Boston.

All of the fifty-two cards which were led played their parts finely. The dancing of every trick was excellent, and it would be hard to select the best. The costumes were very pretty, the hearts wearing white, the spades yellow, the clubs red and diamonds blue. The gentlemen wore sashes, with the degree of superiority of the card marked upon it, and the superiority of the cards which the ladies represented was shown on their skirts. The kings and queens were crowned and looked very stately in satins and velvets, the kings being W. H. Parker, H. C. Wilson, G. E. Gookin and F. J. Willey, and the queens Mrs. Davis, Schofield and Hutchinson, and Miss Adele Watson.

The jacks, as clowns, furnished a great deal of merriment throughout the entire evening, introducing as extras, a base ball game and a prize fight, at the close of which one of the jacks was carried off in a wheelbarrow. Besides this they appeared as the St. Johnsbury band and Mahogany quartette, and to close the evening's entertainment, they arranged themselves in dresses and bonnets and danced the skirt dance. The jacks were Thomas Neagle, Harry Cleveland, Ernest Chase and Charles Darling. The receipts of both evenings were about two hundred dollars, and the expenses about one-half that amount, leaving one hundred dollars to be applied toward the new pipe organ at the Universalist church.

W. H. Ford and L. C. Todd witnessed the Princeton and Yale foot ball game at New Haven, Conn., last Saturday. Mr. Ford and son, Howard, have been in Boston this week.

William K. Cheney was in Boston last week purchasing goods for his holiday trade.

M. J. and B. R. Lyster are in Montreal on business connected with the Canadian Carbonate Company.

Mrs. John Cleary visited relatives in Sherbrooke over Sunday.

E. W. Hutchins and Fred Crotcher have returned from New York, having disposed of the former's French coach span.

Harry C. Quimby and E. E. Grant returned from Mitchell's Camp, Lowelltown, Me., last week and brought home three deer with them. John Merrill and Charles Blake returned from the same camp last Monday and brought three more deer. Lyndonville hunters have been very successful in Maine this year.

Prin. F. L. Pugsley preached an excellent sermon at the Congregational church last Sunday, taking as his subject "The Value of an Idea."

Robert Pettigrew has returned from Healing Springs, Va., and will spend Thanksgiving day here. He and his family will soon return to the South for the winter.

Jason Webster is visiting relatives in Lowell.

Rice's Comedians will appear in Music Hall Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings of this week. They also give matinees Thursday and Saturday afternoons. The same company was here last year and at that time was considered very good.

Miss Eva Gordon of White River Junction was in town several days last week.

Repairs are being made on the shifting engines all along the B. & M. line. Air brakes are to be put on all of them by January 1, to comply with the law. The shifter in yard here is already done and work has been commenced on the Wells River engine.

Miss Maude Ford and Miss Maude Deoss are doing table work at Webb's hotel.

S. Stern has returned from New York. Congressman S. W. McCall and wife have returned from Europe. Mrs. S. S. Thompson joins them soon and will spend the winter with them in Washington.

H. A. Bishop, of Burke, has moved into Charles Darling's house on South street.

All the town schools commence next Monday.

Sherman Wakefield, who has been having pneumonia, is now much better.

M. L. Stearns has moved to Montreal. Mrs. M. L. Stearns and daughter, Elizabeth, spent several days here last week.

Mrs. G. G. Wheeler spent several days last week in Lebanon visiting friends there.

E. J. Blodgett is in Boston this week, looking up a stock of bicycles for next year's trade. He will be on hand early with his usual fall stock.

Chase, the St. Johnsbury photographer, will give away a life-sized picture with every dozen of his best cabinet photographs.

Some Foolish People
allow a cough to run until it gets beyond the reach of medicine. They often say "Oh, it will wear away," but in most cases it will wear them away. Could they be induced to try the successful medicine called Kemp's Balsam, which is sold on a positive guarantee to cure, they would immediately see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Price 25c. and 50c. Trial size free. At all druggists.

CABOT.
Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Elmer were in Barre Sunday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Eva Jackson Roberts, wife of Rev. P. H. Roberts of Princeton, Minn.

Henry Smith, Dea. M. S. Haines and Walter Lane are sitting as jurors on the Doherty murder case.

L. C. Fisher has traded his farm for the house of Dea. W. Fisher in the village and will soon move there. The farm will be carried on by Arthur Hodgdon.

The Advent church at Lower Cabot has lately been repaired.

The Mystery School held by the Epworth League last week was a success socially and financially.

What do the Children Drink?
Don't give them tea or coffee. Have you tried the new food drink called GRAIN-O? It is delicious and nourishing and takes the place of coffee. The more Grain-O you give the children the more health you distribute through their systems. Grain-O is made of pure grains, and when properly prepared tastes like the choice grades of coffee but costs about 1/4 as much. All grocers sell it. 12c. and 25c.

LYNDON CENTER.

Junior Speaking.

The Junior speaking at Thompson hall last Thursday evening attracted a much larger audience than is usually seen at such occasions. The hall was beautifully decorated with lavender and white bunting, and with many potted chrysanthemums which were generously loaned by Mrs. T. N. Vail. The music was by Wilson's orchestra. The speaking was very good and consisted of the following programme:

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| Music. | Orchestra |
| 1. Lincoln's Last Dream. | Butterworth |
| 2. Hannibal on the Alps. | Swan |
| 3. Receiving Calls. | Brown |
| 4. The Blacksmith's Story. | Olive |
| 5. By Special Request. | Castles |
| 6. The Death of Two Brave Soldiers. | Jackson |
| 7. Cartwheels. | Elliot |
| 8. Washington. | Webster |
| 9. Edinburgh after Flooded. | Aytoun |
| 10. The Old Violin. | Stewart |
| Music. | Agnes Flood. |

Musical Recital.
The musical recital by the pupils of Miss Alice Walter occurred at Thompson's hall last Monday afternoon. Over one hundred people were present. Miss Walter's ability to teach was clearly demonstrated. The programme consisted of nine numbers, all of which were much enjoyed by those present.

Arthur D. Wiggins of Barton spent several days in town recently, stopping with Harold Fuller. Mr. Wiggins is principal of the North Troy High School.

Rev. W. H. Lyster supplied the Congregational pulpit at East Burke last Sunday.

Miss Elsie E. Campbell is at home from her school in Highlandville, Mass., for a week's vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hinds of Cambridge visited their many friends here last week.

Miss Mabel Dodge was in town last week.

Miss Myra I. Bean returns to her school in Irasburg next week, having had a two weeks Thanksgiving vacation.

An unusually interesting temperance sermon was preached by the pastor of the Free Baptist church last Sunday. Next Thursday evening at half past seven the pastor is to preach a Thanksgiving sermon, and special music is to be furnished by the choir.

L. D. Hall has moved into Rufus Emerson's house and will board Edna Emerson and Grace Collins.

PEACHAM.

Chester Edwards of Barre spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. Ida Benjamin of Newport, N. H., is visiting at L. Varnum's.

Miss Alice Bates has been visiting her uncle, Henry Lawrence, before leaving for England.

Ed. Blanchard, who has been spending the summer with friends in town, has returned to Spokane, Washington.

Rev. and Mrs. J. K. Williams are visiting friends in Pittsford and Rutland.

Karl Morse has bought a farm in Bradford and takes possession January 1. He will leave here last of December.

George McLachlin has returned from Grey, Iowa, where he has spent the summer.

L. Strowbridge spends Thanksgiving with his daughter, Mrs. Miller, at Manchester.

With every dozen of the best cabinet photographs that you get of Chase, the St. Johnsbury photographer, he will give you free a life-sized picture.

Abbie Daek is visiting her aunt, Mrs. John Baroud, in Barton.

Prof. Charles Cambridge is spending this week at his farm in Grafton.

Elisha Gates and family of North Hartland are visiting friends in town.

Mrs. Eugene G. Ash has gone to Brooklyn for a short visit. She will also visit at Mt. Holyoke and Manchester.

Col. G. B. M. Harvey and wife of New York will spend Thanksgiving with friends in town.

C. H. Hutchinson and wife spend Thanksgiving with friends in Norwich.

There will be no singing school this week, but one next week Thursday evening as usual. Mr. May has a fine large class and they are doing good work on "Queen Esther."

Most of the schools will commence next week with the following teachers: Peacham Corner, Olie Morse; South Peacham, Alice McLachlin; East Peacham, Blanche Knefrev; East Part, Lillian Wilson; Ewell's Hollow, Hattie Ewell; Penny street, George Richardson; Green Bay, John Wilson; North Part, Mabel Wilson.

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To Skeptical Asthmatics.
The truly marvelous cures of Asthma which have already been effected by Dr. Rudolph Schiffmann, certainly call for notice. His preparation (Schiffmann's Asthma Cure), not only gives instant relief in the most stubborn and obstinate cases, but positively cures, in proof of which bear what the Town Clerk at Cavalier, N. D., Mr. W. Sererus, says: "I was troubled with asthma for 20 years, about 8 years ago I started to use your Asthma Cure, and have not had an attack for six years."

DANVILLE.
Harry Brown of Peacham is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Fisher.

News was recently received of the death in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Nov. 20, of pneumonia, of William Haviland, a native of Danville.

The annual meeting of the Village Improvement Association of Danville Green will be held at the library rooms on Saturday evening, Dec. 2, at 7:30 o'clock. An amendment to change the date of meeting will be presented to the Association.

QASKILL.
The Ladies Aid Society will give an entertainment at Graves hall next Wednesday evening, Dec. 6, consisting of an Old Maids' auction. Ladies will please to bring a box containing supper for two. Music will be furnished.

GREENSBORO.
A Golden Wedding Anniversary.
Mr. and Mrs. Duncan McFarlane were pleasantly reminded that their numerous friends had not forgotten that they had been married fifty years, by about 75 of them walking in upon them Monday evening, Nov. 20, bringing good cheer to the couple in their declining years. Several nice presents suitable to the occasion were brought in, among them being a pair of gold bowed spectacles for each, a gold trimmed cup and saucer for each and a set of gold tea spoons. The ladies of the company had provided ample refreshments for all, and the party broke up after a pleasant evening, wishing Mr. and Mrs. McFarlane many returns of their wedding anniversary on the farm which they have cleared from the wilderness and lived on these past fifty years.

Church Meetings.
Friday at the roll call of the Congregational church 54 members responded either in person or by letter out of the 98 members whose names are on the list. A business meeting was held by the members present and a very enjoyable social afternoon was spent. The Ladies Home Circle furnished a chicken pie dinner to which 65 sat down.

The annual business meeting of the Presbytery was held Saturday at their church. A good number were present. The ladies furnished a nice dinner in the vestry for all who attended.

VERMONT STATE GRANGE.

Full Programme of the Sessions.—The Speakers at the Banquet.

As announced in last week's CALEDONIAN the 28th annual session of the State Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, will be held here, Dec. 13-15, and Pythian Hall will be the place for the meetings. Here is the official programme:

Morning session at 11 o'clock Wednesday, December 13; opening of grange in form; roll call; appointment of committee on credentials.

Afternoon session at 1:30, roll call; report of committee on credentials; annual address of State Master C. J. Bell of Walden, followed by reports of other officers; reports of subordinate and Pomona Granges, and announcement of standing committees.

At the evening session a banquet will take the place of the usual public meeting, and the following is the programme:

Hon. C. J. Bell, Toastmaster.
Invocation.
Music.

Our Country, Gov. E. C. Smith, St. Albans.
The National Grange, Hon. M. J. Lecheider, Concord, N. H.
The Poetry of Farming, Mrs. Anna S. Peck, Burlington.

Our Legislation, Lieut. Gov. H. C. Bates, St. Johnsbury.
Crowning Triumph of the Grange—Woman, Geo. H. Terrill, Morrisville.
Guarantee of the Future—Our Boys and Girls, Hon. M. S. Stone, Montpelier.

The Past, Present and Future of the Grange, Mrs. Mary A. Smith, Morrisville.
The Principles of our Order, D. H. Morse, Randolph.

The Press, Hon. Alpha Messer, Rochester.
The Board of Agriculture, Hon. J. K. Curtis, Georgia.
Specialties in Farming, Prof. J. L. Hills, Burlington.

The Science of Agriculture, R. B. Galusha, Jericho.
Farming and the Professions, John E. Gale, Esq., Guilford.
Cooperation, George W. Pierce, Brattleboro.

The banquet will be served by S. D. Atwood.

The second day will be occupied in the morning by further reports of officers, in introduction of new business and resolutions. Two new members of the executive committee will also be elected, followed by a lecturer's hour.

At the afternoon session the unwritten work will be exemplified. At the evening session the fifth and sixth degrees will be exemplified.

Friday will be devoted to unfinished business, discussion and the closing of the Grange in form.

The Avenue House will be the headquarters of the Grangers.

FIRM PRICES MAINTAINED.
Continuation of Favorable Reports as to General Business Conditions.

A striking illustration of the underlying strength of the general business situation is furnished this week by the course of prices. Almost without exception values of staples remain firm at previous quotations, or manifest a still further pronounced tendency upward. This, too, has occurred in face of a rather smaller distribution in the ordinary trade channels than has been noted in recent weeks.

So far as autumn and winter trade is concerned, the complaint of unseasonably mild weather restricting retail distribution is repeated from many cities, but rising superior to this, and to the unquestionable smaller distribution at first hands is the accentuated strength of textiles, particularly cotton goods, which reflect some added strength of the raw product, due to smaller receipts and better foreign advices, but in a larger measure also portray the influence of active demand, coming on a market exceptionally bare of stocks.

A further advance in print cloths, a feature this week, has brought the quotation for standard grades up to 3 cents, a point not touched for four years past. Raw wool is higher on the week at all markets on active demand, shared in by the manufactured material, for which further price advances are expected. The American market for wool is still claimed to be the cheapest in the world.

Notable strength is manifested in the market for leather and hides, which are active and tending upward at the west, supported by good reports from the shoe trade, in which jobbing demand is reported good, and failures exceptionally few.

The year draws to a close with an exceptionally favorable record as regards industrial matters. Strikes have been few, partly, of course, owing to the willingness of employers to grant wage concessions.

FIVE PER CENT RAISE
Will Be Made on Dec. 11 in the Wages of Textile Operatives of Fall River.

The representatives of the Fall River Manufacturers' association and the Textile council, at a conference Friday, agreed that an advance in wages should go into effect on Dec. 11. The advance will amount to 5 percent, and will affect 23,000 hands.

The agreement will undoubtedly be ratified by the unions, thereby doing away with the necessity of a strike. It is also expected the advance will be followed by many of the cotton mills throughout New England.

Both parties agree to take up in good faith the consideration of a sliding scale of wages, which must be agreed to within a reasonable time. The operative and manufacturers hope by means of this scale to place the industrial conditions on such a firm footing as to guarantee steady employment to labor at fair wages, and reasonable assurance to manufacturers that they may enter into contracts for a period of at least six months, without fearing a strike or any similar labor disturbance. Provision is also made for a settlement in conference of any question which may arise on either side.

The State Normal School year at Randolph is now divided into three terms, the winter term beginning Dec. 5, and the spring term March 13. Owing to this change students can now enter most advantageously at the beginning of a term.

The total cost of sprinkling the streets of Burlington during the past season will amount to between \$7000 and \$8000.

VERMONT NEWS.

Electricity Stop.

The electric railroad at Montpelier was tied up again Monday. A short circuit occurring on the line caused the dynamo at the Consolidated Lighting Co's station to stop and the pulleys on this machine and on the engine running the dynamo were smashed, the wreckage flying through ceiling and windows. The cars out on the line at the time were drawn into the car barn by a current from a storage battery.

Case of Lockjaw.
Edward Croto, 19 years of age, of Burlington died of lockjaw last Wednesday, caused by accidentally cutting one thumb on a circular saw. Nothing serious was suspected until a week after the accident when symptoms of lockjaw developed, and the thumb was amputated, but he died after severe suffering.

Militia Regulations.
Col. J. G. Batey of the Vermont National Guard has issued an order directing that all armies in the state be considered as company barracks. This will mean the destruction of the old club-room government in the armories and the placing of all the authority in the hands of the officers. Every member of the company will be considered a soldier while he is in the armory, and will be subject to all the regular army barracks regulations. The colonel of the regiment will have complete control of the barracks of every company.

Ex-Governor C. S. Page, of Hyde Park, will not issue his well known green calf skin calendar for 1900.

The storehouse connected with the shoddy works of Crawford & Carney at Bennington burned Sunday night. It was filled with stock and machinery, all of which is a total loss. Loss about \$1500 with no insurance.

Walter G. Whitman, who for the past year has been one of the teachers at Goddard Seminary, has accepted a lucrative position in one of the schools in Gloucester, Mass. His piece at Goddard will be taken by Allen C. Hutchinson, a graduate of Bates college and a competent teacher.

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E. P. ALLEN.
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Commissioners' Notice.

REV. HARRY L. VBAZEY'S ESTATE.
The subscribers, having been appointed by the Honorable Probate Court for the district of Caledonia, commissioners to receive, examine, and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Rev. Harry L. Vbazez late of St. Johnsbury in said district deceased, and the term of six months from the 25th day of September, 1899, being allowed by said court to the creditors of said deceased, to exhibit and prove their respective claims before us. Give notice that we will attend to the duties of our appointment at the store of Frank A. Scott of St. Johnsbury in Caledonia County in said district, on the 25th day of Dec. 1899 and the 17th day of March 1900 next, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, on each of said days.

FRANK A. SCOTT,
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